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Honorable George C. Marshall
Secretary of Defense
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Marshall:

Reference is made to your letter of 5 May requesting my comments on and concurrence in a memorandum of the Joint Chiefs of Staff concerning the guidance they propose sending CINCEUR on planning

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proposal, I do not believe it advisable to send CINCEUR guidance of this nature at this time.

The initial planning [redacted] will be clandestine.

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Officer engaged in joint clandestine planning with CINCEUR's Staff
would also share in pre-planning

[redacted] and it
is my understanding of MSG 10/2 that CIA is given the responsibility
for this task. This will require CIA planning at both Washington
Headquarters and Theater levels.

If, however, the decision is made to send the JCS presently
proposed guidance memorandum to CINCEUR, I should appreciate being
apprised so that I may send appropriate instructions to my representa-

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[redacted]
Faithfully yours,

SIGNED
WALTER B. SMITH
Director

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